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NOTE FOR: DDCI

SUBJECT: Invitation to Address the Secretary
of State's Advisory Committee on
South Africa

I got a call today from Amb. Bill Kontos, who is the Department's honcho for this committee which is composed of a number of well known business, church and civic leaders. He wanted to invite the DCI to address the committee's next meeting on Thursday, 10 July. When I told him the DCI would not be available he inquired as to your availability. He also mentioned that Admiral Poindexter has been invited to address the group that same day. He will be glad to put you on the agenda at a time of your own choosing.

They will be interested in hearing your assessment of the "various forces competing for power in South Africa" and the "implications of various outcomes on US interest". To be more specific, he said they would love to hear anything you could say as to the degree of communist involvement and/or control of the ANC. I was noncommittal and told the ambassador that your own schedule was a little unsettled right now and that it may take a few days to get back a response. Attached is a rundown of the committee's membership, along with a brief note from Fred Wettering. Fred has dealt with the group before. His own instinct is to duck the invitation.

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FROM AF/P: INFORM CONSULS AND PAOS

E.O. 12356: N/A
 TAGS: PREL, US, AF
 SUBJECT: ANNOUNCEMENT OF SECRETARY OF STATE ADVISORY
 COMMITTEE ON SOUTH AFRICA

1. THE FOLLOWING PRESS RELEASE IS TO BE ISSUED TOMORROW, DECEMBER 19 RPT DECEMBER 19 AT 12:30 P.M. EST RPT EST. ADDRESSEES SHOULD NOT RELEASE TEXT OR NAMES OF COMMITTEE UNTIL THAT TIME. TEXT FOLLOWS:

2. QTE: SECRETARY OF STATE GEORGE SHULTZ TODAY ANNOUNCED THE ESTABLISHMENT OF HIS ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON SOUTH AFRICA. THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE WAS MANDATED BY THE PRESIDENT IN HIS EXECUTIVE ORDER OF SEPTEMBER 9 CONCERNING U.S. RELATIONS WITH SOUTH AFRICA.

THE COMMITTEE WILL BE CO-CHAIRED BY FRANK CARY, FORMER CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF THE IBM CORPORATION, AND WILLIAM T. COLEMAN, JR., SENIOR PARTNER IN THE LAW FIRM OF O'MELVENY AND MYERS.

THE COMMITTEE HAS BEEN FORMED TO ADVISE THE SECRETARY ON WAYS IN WHICH THE U.S. CAN ENCOURAGE PEACEFUL CHANGE IN SOUTH AFRICA, INCLUDING ABOLITION OF APARTHEID AND THE EFFECTS THEREOF. THE COMMITTEE WILL INVESTIGATE CONDI-

TIONS IN SOUTH AFRICA AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON U.S. POLICY TOWARD THAT COUNTRY. IT WILL GIVE A REPORT TO THE SECRETARY FROM TIME TO TIME AND RENDER A FINAL REPORT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BUT IN ANY EVENT WITHIN ONE YEAR OF ITS FIRST OFFICIAL MEETING, WHICH IS PRESENTLY SCHEDULED FOR

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OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ARE: THE HONORABLE GRIFFIN B. BELL, SENIOR PARTNER IN THE LAW FIRM OF KING & SPALDING AND FORMER ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES; OWEN F. BIEBER, PRESIDENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL UNION, UAW; JOHN R. DELLENBACK, PRESIDENT OF THE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE COALITION AND A FORMER CONGRESSMAN; THE HONORABLE LAWRENCE S. EAGLEBURGER, PRESIDENT OF KISSINGER ASSOCIATES AND FORMER UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS; TIMOTHY S. HEALY, S.J., PRESIDENT OF GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY; VERNON E. JORDAN, JR., ESQ., SENIOR PARTNER IN THE LAW FIRM OF AKIN, GUMP, STRAUSS, HAUER & FELD AND FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL URBAN LEAGUE; HELENE L. KAPLAN, ESQ., SENIOR PARTNER IN THE LAW FIRM OF WEBSTER & SHEFFIELD AND CHAIRMAN OF THE CARNEGIE CORPORATION OF NEW YORK AND OF BARNARD COLLEGE; ROGER B. SMITH, CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION, THE REVEREND LEON H. SULLIVAN OF THE ZION BAPTIST CHURCH, THE AUTHOR OF THE SULLIVAN PRINCIPLES; AND FRANKLIN A. THOMAS, PRESIDENT OF THE FORD FOUNDATION.

IN INTRODUCING THE COMMITTEE TODAY AT THE DEPARTMENT, THE SECRETARY EXPRESSED HIS GRATITUDE TO ITS MEMBERS FOR VOLUNTEERING THEIR TIME AND FOR THEIR PATRIOTISM. HE ALSO DREW ATTENTION TO THE UNUSUAL IMPORTANCE OF DEVELOPMENTS INSIDE SOUTH AFRICA IN 1986, THE YEAR IN WHICH THE COMMITTEE WILL BE DELIBERATING. END QTE.

3. FOR PRETORIA: PLEASE INFORM APPROPRIATE SAG OFFICIALS ASKING THEM TO HOLD INFORMATION CONFIDENTIALLY UNTIL SECRETARY'S ANNOUNCEMENT HERE.

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